Amendment to the Abstract:

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a recording system having has a recording medium on which copyright processing judging information is previously recorded, and having a A recording apparatus for recording records a content on the recording medium. The recording apparatus acquires copyright processing information related to copyright processing recorded on the recording medium and performs recording processing to determine whether or not to record the content based on the copyright processing information. Thus, a copyright royalty can be charged for the recording medium, and appropriate copyright protection is performed.

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